

The Vinton Record.

WHITE MEN SHALL RULE AMERICA.

McARTHUR, OHIO:

THURSDAY, --- JAN. 4, 1890.

SALUTATORY.

A new paper, new publishers, and a New Year! We wish you happiness in them all. That is our greeting to the public as we present THE VINTON RECORD for our New Year's gift. This is the season for exchange of kindly tokens of remembrance and regard. Here is our offering to the people; we hope that they will not forget us.

The New Year is also a season of reformation! In the past, the proprietors of the organ of this County have done those things that they ought not to have done; and left undone those things they ought to have done, we will strive to make amends for the errors, both of commission and omission.

Will the people of Vinton county also turn over a new leaf? The county paper is the representative of the county public; and its condition a fair index to their character for intelligence and enterprise.

The most intelligent and well-to-do communities are those in which the papers are handsomely supported and constantly read. The most prosperous merchants, are those who most extensively advertise.

This is a reading age; an age full of stirring events; of great commercial and social activity. A man who does not read is only a snag in the fast moving current of our public and private life. It has become a common phrase to say of one who is behind the times—an ignorant and useless member of society—that "he doesn't take the papers."

Shall Vinton county be pointed out as proof of the charge so often made by their enemies, that Democrats are not as intelligent and well informed as their fellow-citizens? Of course this charge is not true, and never will be while in the single instance of our own State the Democracy can point with pride to such representative men as PUGH, combining in himself the highest qualities of the statesman, advocate and lawyer; as TURTAN and RANNEY who have lent dignity to both bench and bar; as VALLANDIGHAM whose impassioned eloquence made him the terror of foes, and the idol of friends; as PENDLETON the distinguished publicist, whose speeches are admitted models of classic eloquence and purity; as Cox, the thoroughbred politician, the skillful debater and pungent wit. No sect or party in this country is based upon a monopoly of learning and intelligence. But wherever there is a community which is not a reading community the people are as much in ignorance of the principles and the philosophy of the parties to which they belong, and the creeds which they profess, as they are of any other subject. Being in this condition they can not truly be either Democrats or Republicans, Presbyterians or Methodists. In this age of progress they are nothing; they are *non-descripts*—neither fish, flesh nor red herring.

There are but few men, however, who can devote a great deal of time to reading, and fewer still who can afford to procure libraries or take a number of papers.

Those who do procure these sources of information, can only do so by making a business of distributing the information they thus obtain among their fellow-citizens, in a condensed form; so cheap that all may purchase, and so brief that all may find time to read. This is what a publisher of a newspaper does. It is at once the duty and the interest of the public to support him liberally, in order that he may supply the public with a good paper, and may devote all his time and energies to the work. He is the greatest of all public benefactors, and the result of his labors is the greatest of all public blessings. The county paper, if properly conducted, is the most valuable to every citizen; because, while it gives him all that is valuable in the great city papers, it also affords the information in regard to home affairs which can be obtained nowhere else. It is his own organ; the representative of his own interests, and the interest of the community in which he dwells.

If the people of this county will support a good paper, we propose to give it to them. We have been, recently, to a large expense in procuring new types and new materials for that purpose. We have shown

the sincerity of our professions by our works. Will the people now, at the commencement of this New Year, also turn over a new leaf. Will they, also, begin to do that which they ought to have done before, and have left undone? It is the duty of every man to subscribe for the paper. We expect every man to do his duty—and, with that assistance and encouragement we shall make every effort to do our own duty, to the fullest extent.

THE PUBLISHERS.

To the Democracy.

It is, perhaps, hardly necessary for us to say that while we issue the official organ of Vinton county, under a new name, and a new dress, it is, nevertheless, to be the exponent and defender of no new creed. We expect to advocate Democratic principles; and to freely and fearlessly discuss all public issues as they arise in the light and under the guidance of those great cardinal truths taught by the founders of our organization—the JEFFERSONS and MADISONS of the golden age of the Republic. While we submit with the best grace possible, to that which is irrevocable, and deem it the part of wisdom to recognize accomplished facts, we shall steadily resist the further encroachments of Federalism; and strive, in an humble way, to do our part towards "reconstructing" the whole country, upon the old basis of the Constitution, as construed by THOS. JEFFERSON in his inaugural address of March 4, 1801, that is to say on the broad foundation of "Equal and exact justice to all men of whatever State or persuasion, religious or political; peace, commerce and honest friendship with all nations, entangling alliances with none; the support of the State governments in all their rights as the most competent administrations for our domestic concerns, and the surest bulwarks against anti-republican tendencies; the preservation of the general government in its whole constitutional vigor as the sheet anchor of our peace at home and safety abroad; a jealous care of the right of election by the people; a mild and safe corrective of abuses which are lapped by the sword of revolution where peaceable remedies are unprovided; absolute acquiescence in the decisions of the majority; a well disciplined militia; the supremacy of the civil over the military authority; economy in the public expense that labor may be lightly burdened; the honest payment of our debts and sacred preservation of the public faith; encouragement of agriculture and of commerce as its handmaid; the diffusion of information and the arraignment of all abuses at the bar of public reason; freedom of religion, freedom of the press and freedom of person, under the protection of the *habeas corpus*; and trial by jury impartially selected.

We have wandered far from these principles during the "moments of error and alarm" of the past five years; we shall do all we can to encourage the people to follow JEFFERSON'S counsel to "hasten to retrace their steps, and to regain the road which alone leads to peace, liberty and safety."

To the Public.

We send this number of our paper to all the subscribers of the *Democrat* and many other citizens of Vinton, in order that you may see the paper, and hope that you will aid us in our efforts to publish a newspaper that will be a credit to our county. We can here say, truthfully, that no county in Ohio, of the population and wealth of Vinton, can boast of a neater county paper. The county paper is always taken as an index of the intelligence and enterprise of the citizens. If our people will sustain the Press by prompt payment, we will give you a paper that will be creditable to us and you.

The cash system being adopted in every business, requires it of us, hence our terms are cash in advance. No paper will be sent, or advertisement continued, unless paid for in advance. The *Democrat* tried the credit system for the past twelve years, and it has been the cause of all the losses of the Press. Call and subscribe at once, or send in your names along with the money.

William H. Russ, who shot Miss Fannie Dayton, and then shot himself, is in a fair way of living. His victim, Miss Dayton, will hardly recover.

Governor's Message.

We expect, next week, to give some extracts from Gov. ANDERSON'S message. It's a whale among that kind of documents. The only way it will ever reach the people, will be in book form. CHARLEY is able and lengthy.

The News.

It is said that the successor of Judge Catron, of Tennessee, on the Supreme Bench of the United States, will not be appointed for some time. He will be from the South.

Old military officers are said to be in Washington urging a fight with the Mormons.

Intelligence has been received from Mexico which is, that there is a remarkable growth of nationality in Mexico. That the unpopularity of the French is growing, and that Maximilian must leave the country.

A strenuous effort is being made to bring about a compromise of the Fenian quarrel. The terms proposed are:

1. An immediate movement for the independence of Ireland.
2. The delivery of the funds of the Brotherhood to a committee of prominent and solvent friends of the cause, to be mutually agreed upon, and who shall at once use the moneys in their hands as sinews of war, to effect the redemption of Ireland.

A terrible riot between negroes and whites occurred in Alexandria, Virginia, on Christmas. The negroes commenced the disturbance, and were slaughtering the whites at a fearful rate. Six of the negroes had been killed up to a late hour of the night.

It is stated that there is great distress and suffering among the citizens of Arkansas.

The Great Eastern will sail in June, 1890, to lay the new cable and take up the old one, which is ascertained to be entirely perfect.

It is reported that Minister Adams will return home in the spring.

General Palmer addressed 4,000 negroes at Crittenden, Kentucky, day before yesterday. Bully Nigger General that.

The Fenian Congress assembled in New York yesterday, and resolved to sustain President O'Mahony.

It is stated that the President will soon issue a proclamation declaring the restoration of the Union complete.

The cholera is raging on the island of Gaudaloupe.

SEVERAL merchants recently addressed a letter to Secretary Seward soliciting friendly intervention of the Government with a view of mitigating the heavy losses to the commerce of citizens of the United States likely to arise from Spanish-Chilian difficulties.

A terrific tornado passed over Pulaski, Tenn., last Wednesday, doing immense damage.

THAD. STEVENS and the radicals in Congress have concluded that they cannot defeat the President's plan of reconstruction, and are about to introduce a new programme, intended to circumvent the President. A committee of Congress are to make a trip South and report upon the condition of affairs as they shall find them. Thad. Stevens will appoint the sub-committee, so that the character of its report may be easily anticipated. The object is to delay the reconstruction of the South on the President's plan.

Captain Maury has issued another circular to encourage emigration to Mexico.

No application for the pardon of General Lee is on file at the Attorney-general's office. He has simply taken the amnesty oath.

The confederation scheme of uniting the British provinces appears to be unpopular in Nova Scotia.

The President held his first New Year's reception last Monday at the White House. It was largely attended.

Message from the President—Maximilian.

New York, Dec. 30.—The World's special says: The President will send a message on the assembling of Congress in reply to a resolution of the House, stating the reasons why Jeff. Davis has not been tried. In substance it will be the same as contained in his first message. He elaborates on the matter somewhat, by showing that he has already opposed his trial by a military commission, and gives his reasons therefor. As soon as the necessary legislation is completed by Congress for the holding of a United States Court in Richmond, the trial will be immediately proceeded with. The French Minister flatly contradicts the report that Maximilian is going to leave Mexico. He has advised of recent date indicating that Maximilian is stronger than ever with the people, and that in a short time everything will be in a most satisfactory condition for the stability of the pretended Empire.

OHIO LEGISLATURE.

The caucus of the Republican Senators last night, made the following nominations: H. S. Martin, for President, pro-tem; E. T. Hall, of Muskingum, for Clerk; Enos W. Miles, of Morrow, for First Assistant; J. N. Dines, of Warren, for Second Assistant; James Storer, of Logan, Sergeant-at-Arms; Carlin, of Hancock, for First Assistant, and H. D. Drake, for Second Assistant.

One motion of Mr. Bateman, of Hamilton, it was agreed by a unanimous vote that the following resolution should be presented to the Senate to-morrow morning:

Resolved, That there being no President of the Senate, by reason of the transfer of the Lieutenant-governor, Charles Anderson, to the office of Governor, the duty is, by the last man being a member of the Senate to act as Chairman in its preliminary organization; and that, thereupon, it is the duty to elect a President *pro-tem*, according to the Constitution, in such case provided.

In the House caucus there were sixty members. After the usual preliminaries, a ballot for speaker was had, with the following result: Colonel E. A. Parrot, of Montgomery, 33; Wm. Stanton, of Hamilton, 14; and Robert H. Haddock, of Geauga, 10 votes. Necessary to a choice, 31.

B. J. Loomis and Charles H. Baderock, of Cuyahoga, and Col. James M. Nash, of Mahoning, were named for Clerk. On the third ballot, Loomis was nominated. The other gentleman nominated, were Col. Lash, for First Assistant; S. C. Brown, of Williams, Second Assistant; Lieut. W. B. Barnett, of Coshocton, for Sergeant-at-Arms; Alex. McCoy, of Guernsey, for First Assistant; Wm. Phillips, of Knox, Second Assistant, and F. D. Lankner, of Franklin, for Third Assistant.

The contest for Sergeant-at-Arms was won by Lieut. W. P. Thompson, of Coshocton, an old soldier, who will be supported by them for the speakership.

Senator Sherman arrived here last night. General Schenck is expected here to-morrow.

Republican Senators Taking Care of Their Relations.

The Republican Senators at Washington seem to be impressed with the belief that their first duty is to provide comfortable places at the public crib for all of their relations, even to the fifth generation. Among their other sins they add the sin of despotism. A Washington correspondent of the *Chicago Times* gives these instances of it. He says:

"The Congressional directory records that a son of Senator Clark, of New Hampshire, is door-keeper of the reporters' gallery; that a son of Senator Cowan is clerk of Senator Cowan's committee, at six dollars a day for doing nothing; that a son of Senator Doolittle is similarly favored; likewise a son of Senator Howard; ditto a son of Senator Dixon; ditto a nephew of Senator Foot; while a nephew of Senator Wade stands guard at one of the entrance doors to the chamber, for \$1,200 a year. And the pressure is still heavy upon the appointing power in behalf of the uncles, aunts, nieces and grandmothers of other members of the American house of lords."—*Ch. Eng.*

VINTON OIL FIELDS.

[From the "Advertiser."]

A Trip to the Oil Regions.

Being happily possessed of a somewhat speculative turn of mind, and having no particular concern to tie me at home, I resolved on a week's visit to the romantic wilds of Hocking and Vinton counties, and if possible satisfy myself that the floating rumors of Oil having been struck in said counties were not simply Oil Gas intended to excite the imagination of the avaricious Oil seeker, but that there was in reality gushing from the perforated bowels of terra firma the genuine quintessence of the patiently sought and much coveted treasure. Consequently on the morning of the 18th ult., all things being ready, with light heart and buoyant spirits, I set out upon my eager journey of twenty or more miles to the far famed Gold & Conely well, at South Bloomingville. I there found Dr. G. right at home and watching with intense interest the unctious fluid as it majestically rose from its latent receptacle and floated away on the placid bosom of Deer creek. After the formalities due to another, particularly one who had just struck Oil, were over, I with much pleasure joined the Doctor in his oceanic engagement, and to my own satisfaction, saw for myself, that the stories of Peter-o-leum was no humbug. Their well is little more than 600 ft. deep, and Dr. G. who is superintendent, is engaging to tube and pump his well with every confidence of complete success, and I heartily wish him the fullest realization of his most sanguine expectations, as he is a most clever gentleman.

A few hundred yards to the westward and on a branch of the same stream is located the Adelphi well, D. Davis Esq. of Bloomingville supt. Mr. D. is one of those affable good natured kind of men, well calculated to make everybody feel at home in his company. From the exalted opinion I formed of him while there I shall take it upon myself to say that he is no relation of Confederate Jeff. his name to the

contrary notwithstanding. This well at 400 ft. struck Oil and promises a flattering yield. He is preparing to test it, and is also confident of success. I hope him a rich reward for his patient labor and cost in developing the dormant resources of independence and fortune. After whiling away several pleasant hours at Mr. D.'s well, I resumed my onward journey by following stream to its confluence with Salt creek, thence down said creek some 6 or 7 miles to the Walker well, and reined in for the night. This well is located on the west bank of Salt creek, is owned by the Hallsville company, Mr. M. Pontinus superintendent, and had I think much the most flattering prospects of any I saw. Unlike the Bloomingville wells, it has no flow of water to impede a thorough test as is the case with both these wells. This well struck its first Oil on the 15th inst., and has since increased until it now shows considerable quantities at every sand pumping. The company is preparing to test it, and if I am not mistaken, will prove itself a very paying well. The Oil was struck at the depth of 359 ft. in a mica sand rock, "commonly called the Oil rock" from the fact that Oil is found in or near it. It is intensely hard and of dark complexion, and contains a small proportion of mica. Mr. P. is a man of more than ordinary genius, and has everything connected with his well in the most perfect state of improvement. He has invented a peculiar machine for boring Oil and salt wells, that is destined to be one of the greatest mechanical triumphs of the age. It is placed on the end of the walking beam, it takes the place of augerman, turns the rope, and reverses its motion at the will of Mr. P. It disposes with remmers, temper screws, sope clammers, and augerman, all of which are indispensable under the old method; and is a saving of several hundred dollars on every well that is bored. Mr. P. has a patent pending and will realize more from it than a dozen wells, though they flow a hundred bbls per day. So perfect is it in execution that Mr. P. and his hands leave their well, go to their boarding house half a mile off, eat their meals, and all the while the boring goes on as though they were present. Success crown him and may his newly invented machine receive its just merit, is the wish of an incidental

OBSERVER.

Look Out For Him.—An exchange raps over the knuckles a certain class that can be found in some parts of the country, in this style:

"When you find a man writing his advertisement and sticking it up at the post-office, or in the hotels, or on the street posts, instead of publishing in his town paper, look out for him—the very act shows he is too close-fisted to deal with to advantage."

McArthur Produce Market.

McArthur, O., Jan. 3, 1890.

Apples (dried)	30
Beeswax	25
Butter	25
Beans	1 75 @ 20
Chickens	25
Cheese	35
Coffee	35 @ 37
Eggs	15 @ 20
Fish	12 1/2
Macaroni	12 1/2
Col. Fish	12 1/2
White Fish	12 1/2
Feathers	50 @ 60
Flour	11
Leather	16 @ 20
Lard	75 @ 100
Molasses	100
Onions	500 @ 600
Peaches (dried)	10
Pork	15
Rice	15
Sugar	15 @ 20
Salt	3 25
Starch	45
Seed	350 @ 400
Timothy	175 @ 200
Flax	12 @ 15
Tallow	12 @ 15
Whisky	30

McArthur Grain Market.

Old red. Wheat	1 80
New red.	1 70
Old white.	2 00
New white.	1 57
Shelled Corn	40
Ears	40
Oats	40
Rye	70
Barley	60
Hay	8 99

Cincinnati Markets.

CINCINNATI JAN. 3, 1890.
Butter in rolls 20 to 30 cent; Beans \$9.24 per bushel; Coffee 25 to 31 cent; Eggs \$9.24 cents; Dried Apples 12 to 15 cents per lb; Flour \$7.25 to \$8.50 per bbl; Wheat \$1.70 to \$1.75 per bushel; Pork 12 to 18 ct. per lb; Potatoes \$1.20 per bush. Markets dull.

New Advertisements.

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REPAIRER OF
WATCHES, CLOCKS,
JEWELRY,
—AND—
Musical Instruments,
[HUBERT'S BUILDING.]
McARTHUR, - - - Ohio

Dr. J. S. STRONG,

DRUGGIST,

Hulberts Cor Opposite Court-house,

McARTHUR, OHIO,

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Drugs, Medicines,

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Paints, Oils,

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PERFUMERY,

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PURE WINES AND BRANDIES

—FOR—

Medical Purposes,

PATENT MEDICINES, &c.

—ALSO—

WATCHES,

—AND—

JEWELRY,

LETTER, Cap, and No's paper, Port Folios, Port Monies, Diaries, Pocket Knives, Writing Field and other articles kept by Druggists generally. The above articles have been bought low for cash, selected with great care and will be warranted as represented and sold at the

Very Lowest Cash Price.

N.B.—Physicians Prescriptions carefully compounded.
January 4th 1890-11.

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BRATTON & MAYO,

ATTORNEYS AT LAW,

McArthur, Vinton County, Ohio,

Will attend to all legal business entrusted to their care in Vinton, Athens, Jackson, Ross, Hocking and adjoining counties.

Particular attention given to the collection of Soldiers' claims for Pensions, Bonuses, Arrears of pay, &c., against the United States or Ohio, including Morgan Raid claims. [Jan. 4, 1890, 1y.]

PROSPECTUS

—OF—

THE VINTON RECORD,

A WEEKLY newspaper published every Thursday morning, at

McArthur, Vinton County, Ohio.

We will publish the ensuing year as successors to the *McArthur Democrat*, and VINTON RECORD. In politics the Record will be Democratic. Citizens who maintain the Constitution of our fathers, and the Union, should circulate conservative papers. Citizens who are opposed to the social and political equality of "free Americans of African descent," and their albino allies will rally to the support of our enterprise without regard to their locality or previous views. Whilst defending our principles, we hope to give offense to none, and will freely give to those who differ with us a fair hearing in our columns, especially while there is no other journal in the county.

Independent of its politics, the Record shall be a welcome visitor to the family circle. It will be devoted especially to the Agricultural, Commercial, Manufacturing and Mechanical interests of our County. The Oil and mineral resources, important Foreign and domestic News, Congressional, Legislative and Judicial proceedings, and the Markets, will receive due attention.

As the Record is the official organ of the County, no man in Vinton should be without it. Legal Notices, Sales, Delinquent Tax-Sales, and other matters of Local interest, make it a matter of necessity to keep posted up.

In brief we will do our duty to give you a good paper, printed on entirely new type, and ask that you give us a liberal and hearty support. Terms \$1.50 per year in advance.

W. E. & A. W. BRATTON.

Special Term of District Court in and for Vinton Co. O.,

A failure having occurred on the part of Judges to hold the regularly prescribed terms of the District Court in Vinton county, State of Ohio, for the year 1890, and it appearing to the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas, in and for the 7th Judicial District of Ohio, that their is important business pending in said District Court, in said Vinton county. It is hereby ordered by the undersigned Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for said 7th Judicial District of Ohio, on conference with one of the Supreme Judges of said State, that a Special term of the District Court be held at the Court-house, in McArthur, in said county of Vinton, commencing on the 10th day of February, 1890, at the hour of 10 o'clock A.M., and continue from day to day thereafter until the business pending in said Court be disposed of. All litigants having cases pending in said Court will take notice and act accordingly.

W. W. JOHNSON, Com. P. Judges of the 7th Judicial District of Ohio.
P. VAN TRUMP,
E. A. GUTHRIE,
JOHN P. PLYLEY.
January 1st, 1890. 1w4t